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SUBJ: CEMA AGREEMENT WITH MEXICO SIGNED IN MOSCOW

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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED - PRAVDA MORNING AUGUST 14 REPORTS
SIGNING IN MOSCOW AUGUST 13 OF AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION
BETWEEN MEXICO AND COUNCIL OF MUTUAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE
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(CEMA). DOCUMENT SIGNED BY CEMA EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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2. TASS ANNOUNCEMENT GIVES FEW SPECIFIC DETAILS. JOINT MEXICAN-CEMA COMMISSION WILL BE ESTABLISHED TO STUDY POSSIBILITIES FOR COOPERATION. AGREEMENT SAID TO BE BASED ON PURSUIT BY CEMA COUNTRIES AND MEXICO OF POLICY OF DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL COOPERATION BY ALL COUNTRIES REGARDLESS OF THEIR SOCIAL AND STATE SYSTEM.

3. ANNOUNCEMENT ALSO REFERS TO EFFORTS OF CEMA COUNTRIES TO FURTHER EXPAND TRADE AND ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL COOPERATION WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THE AIM OF STRENGTHENING THEIR NATIONAL ECONOMIES, AND CONCLUDES WITH REFERENCE TO CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF STATES AND GOALS OF UN CHARTER. END UNCLASSIFIED.

4. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL - COMMENT - AGREEMENT GIVES FURTHER BOOST TO CEMA'S INTERNATIONAL IMAGE, AFTER SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT WITH IRAQ IN JULY. IT IS ALSO CEMA'S SECOND TIE WITH WESTERN HEMISPHERE, FOLLOWING ACCESSION OF CUBA TO FULL MEMBERSHIP IN 1973. EMBASSY ESTIMATES THAT SOVIETS WILL TRY TO ACTIVATE JOINT COMMISSION, AND ALSO ESTABLISHMENT OF EXPECTED SUB-COMMITTEES ON ENERGY (REFTEL A), AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE. ACTUAL RATE OF PROGRESS AND SPECIFIC ECONOMIC RESULTS SHOULD, HOWEVER, DEPEND ON MEXICAN WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE. IN ANY EVENT, AGREEMENT SHOULD BE PRIMARILY A POLITICAL ARRANGEMENT, AT LEAST DURING EARLY YEARS OF ITS EXISTENCE. END CONFIDENTIAL.
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